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INFORMATION ABOUT FINLAND FROM NAME NO. 65's COLLEAGUE, "A" (1943)

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To [Name No. 42].^[i]

A colleague of [Name No. 65] ^[ii] "A" ^[iii] has informed us that a member of the Swedish Riksdag, LINDSTROM ^[iv] has just returned from FINLAND bearing a personal request from TANNER to give the Swedish Government the following information:

During the first five days after the formulation of policy [FORMULIROVKA] by the new Finnish Government, ^[v] the Finns [D% were considering] making overtures for peace to the Soviet Government on the following conditions. The boundary on the KARELIAN Isthmus right up to VIBORG and HANKO would not be necessary to the Russians when they occupied the Baltic States [PRIBALTIKA] but the strategic boundaries around Lake LADOGA and farther north, could be discussed in detail in the future. ^[a]

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[Name No. 59] ^[vi]

Note: [a] The sense of this paragraph is not clear and the above interpretation should, therefore, be treated with reserve.

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- Comments: [i] Name No. 42: (Possibly Capt. (1st Rank) M. A. VORONTSOV.
- [ii] Name No. 65: Unidentified. First occurrence.
- [iii] "A" : "
- [iv] LINDSTRÖM : Presumably Karl Alfred Rickard LINDSTRÖM, Editor of the Swedish newspaper "Social-Demokraten", member of the Riksdag, and personal friend of Voioo TANNER, a Finnish Social Democrat.
- [v] Risto RYTI was re-elected President on 15th February. On 16th February the Finnish Government resigned and a new government, under Professor LINKOMIES, was not formed until 4th March after protracted negotiations.
- [vi] Name No. 59: Probably Capt. Aleksei TARADIN, Soviet Naval Attaché in STOCKHOLM.

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